## FAVORS THE ORDINANCE

FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVES OF THE TAX LEVY MEASURE.

Firemen's Salaries Will Be Increased. Providing Reduction Is Not Greater than to Seventy-Eight Cents.

last night when the members of the committee held a meeting in the city clerk's

It was decided also to report favorably on the ordinance introduced several weeks has built new bridges, has repaired and good to increase the salaries of the mem- put into good condition the Brightwood bers of the fire department, provided the than 78 cents. The increase for the firemen is provided for in the estimate of the Council last Monday night by Controller ning to wild boulevards, and all of them

favorably on Controller Breunig's ordinance to transfer \$5,000 from the bridge fund to the street repair fund. The administration wants this money to pay for the ever to the Belt road. The improvement progress. A similar ordinance was feated several weeks ago by Councilman olliday refusing to stand with the Reiblicans for the measure.

BOARD OF WORKS ROUTINE. PRIMARY ASSESSMENT ROLL AP. He Accuses "Somebody" of Profiting PROVED. Cement walks and curb in Twenty-seventh street, from Illinois street to Meridian

street to Michigan street. cement walks in Lexington avenue, from Nelson street to St. Paul street. For cement walks and curb in North Warman avenue, from Washington street to

For a gravel roadway in Springdale street, from Highland avenue to Oriental For the opening and extension of Vigo from Lockwood street to Shelby PETITIONS FILED AND REFERRED TO

For cement walks and curb in California street, from New York street to Vermont street. For permission to lay, under private contract, approaches to barn in East Tenth COMPLETED IMPROVEMENT. Cement walks in Lincoln street, from Madison avenue to East street.

#### PEOPLE HIS TRIBUNAL

(CONCLUDED FROM FIRST PAGE.) "There is no distinction." Burkwith Mr. Bookwalter, but he said he didn't have time to argue abstruse theories of government. And the crowd laughed at Burkhardt and applauded the mayor. In his address the mayor said, in part: "I don't question the freedom of the pressno, not by any manner of means; but when a newspaper vilifies administration, and distorts the truth and juggles with it, and deiberately lies, as the Indianapolis News is doing and has done for some time, then that newspaper is overstepping the boundaries of the freedom of the press. I sometimes wonder, when I think of the many vile and untrue things said about the present city administration, with which I am intimately connected, who this awful man is the News abuses so constantly and vilifies. I know that I am a man of ordinary self-respect. and that I want to and am trying to honor my family and the men who have honored the office of mayor. No, I say to myself, I am not this man the News vilifies

MAYOR AND THE NEWS. "The man who owns the Indianapolis News, the man who is abusing the present administration-one year ago the News editorially commended things I suggested in my message to Council-the man who holds Indianapolis up as an awful place in which to live, a place where gambling and vice are rife, a city where the streets are poorly maintained—this man lives in Chicago and dodges the tax collector of Indianapolis. It is this man who is vilifyng the administration that has done so much for Indianapolis. He is advertising Indianapolis as a poor place in which to live.

"Now it isn't from this man or from his paper that I'm going to take instructions, and it isn't from this man or his paper that I'm going to get inspiration. It is to you people—to all the people who want good government and economical government that I'm going to go for my instructions and my inspiration 'I have no quarrel with the Indianapolis

has any citizen who resents his city being held up as a bad place to live in and as a that he and his paper shall not slander and note and has been repeating at every meet- exactly as it found them. present administration. Indianapolis manage its own affairs. "I don't mind the cartoons of me the News is publishing. I trust the News will

continue to print outrageous pictures and will continue to twist facts, for, as was said the other day, 'Every knock is a boost. "We have a motto and this motto bothers the Indianapolis News even in his dreams. The other night the editor of the News got into an Indianapolis street car. He saw one of the mottoes of our campaign, 'Stand up for Indianapolis.' He tore it down and threw it into the street. We'll stand this man up, whether he wants to be stood up or not, and when we get through with him he will be as limp as one of Dunn's financial articles, and he'll fall in a heap exhausted from his intellectual jag, from his bad case of intellectual 'jim-jams.' He knows this is a good city. TWO RECORDS.

"The News talks about truth and honesty. But is it practicing the principles of truth and honesty? No, indeed it is not. It instructs its reporters to take the news they get from the city hall and twist it so that it will be in line with the other untrue and vicious things the paper says every day. This news, if it were published truthfully, would reflect credit on the administration. This newspaper seeks to debauch the character of the boys who are employed by it, the boys who, after while, will be the men the community will look to as its citizens in honorable and responsi-ble offices and positions, both public and

"To evade a \$50,000 damage suit the News went to St. Louis and employed a scoundrel to come to Indianapolis and dig a pitfall for a public official. But this scoundrel tripped in his vicious and vile work and when he was arrested he 'squealed.' Then, on the same night this scoundrel from St. Louis was arrested and on the same night he 'squealed,' the News, editorially, disclaimed any connection with what he had been doing. The News, of course, didn't know then that the man had told for whom

he had been doing this work.
"I am running on my record and not away from my record. I am running on the record made by this administration. The News says this administration has had more money than any other administration ever had. That's true. But think of what has been done to improve the condition of the city since the end of the Taggart administration. Think what has been done to East street and what has been done to mprove the streets in other parts of this section of the city, as well as many streets in other sections. We haven't improved the streets, of course, for that would take much more money than we have, but we have done a good deal. This is only one way in which my administration has used the money has been to improve the city. Yet the News says taxes are too high. Last year the News, editorially, said I was right in asking for a higher tax levy. The principle of paying as you go is a good one for administrations as well as for individuals, says this editorial in the News soon after message to the Council last September. 'The city must have more money,' the News said at that time, 'Mr. Bookwaiter wisely wants to raise more money by higher taxes, instead of by selling bonds,

FINANCIAL RECORD. Concluding, the mayor spoke of some of

"We have paid \$83,100 of the bonds left | meeting next Friday night. have improved the streets decently and re- open the eyes of the Democratic managers. paired them well at a cost of \$80,000. It will take only about \$40,000 to keep the streets in repair the coming year. This is the estimate made to Council recently. The fire department has been taken out of peared in yesterday's Sentinel: politics, and no man is now in the department from a political pull, and no man is drawing a salary in the fire department unless he is earning that salary, according to the judgment of Edward Coots. The police department has been taken out of politics. The patrolmen are not any longer runners for half a dozen breweries, as they were the six years previous to the beginning of the present administration. This administration has built two engine houses out of the current revenues, and has completed three engine houses left uncompleted by the Taggart administration, and has equipped them all out of the current rev-The City Hospital has been completed out of our own revenues. We have built two of the finest market houses in the country. A \$1.600,000 terminal station office. Councilman Wynne is chairman of will be built at Illinois and Market streets as the result of the good bargain driven with the interurban raflway companies by the administration. This administration water works plant, which was left by the Taggart administration in a bad condition, tax levy for next year is not made lower | Many other things have been done to improve the city and to protect the lives and homes of you people, as well as the people

won't be on the North Side. Your own Pleasant run is to be made into a pleasure drive. We are going to build a \$55,000 bridge over Fall creek at Northwestern "It is for you this administration is working. It is from the people that I am going to take my instruction. I would like to see improvement on Kentucky avenue from the all you men down at my office the 15th day of October, when I begin my second term of office as mayor. Come down and have

in all parts of the city, and to make your

### HOLTZMAN MAKES CHARGES.

an apple and a cigar."

### from Boulevard Bond Issue.

The Democratic candidates who are carrying the oratorical burdens of the cam-For gravel roadway, cement walks and wood last night, and their tardiness was with his resentment of the attacks made curb in Oxford street, from New York due to the circus-not that they went to upon him by that paper. the circus, but the Brightwood cars got tied up with the extra cars put on to handle the circus crowd, and Messrs. Holtzman, Little and Fogarty stood on a down town corner for thirty long minutes. The crowd had not deserted the hall when they finally put in an appearance, however, and the First ward Democrats seemed to have had their appetites whetted by the delay, for they welcomed the speakers with unusual warmth and applauded just at the right times all through the speeches.

The candidates offered little new. W. M. Fogarty, who wants to be city clerk, promised that when he holds that office there will be no oceasion for councilmanic investigations of his books; E. W. Little, aspirant for police judge, repeated his familiar song, "O Promise Me," or rather "I Promise Thee," while John W. Holtzman spoke of everything else except his own official record, now under the searchlight of pub-

"The issue in this campaign is the record made by the adiministration during the past two years," he said. "There is nothing else at issue. Mayor Bookwalter has made that the issue and we have ac-

Then he made his plea for Republican support by stating that while he was a Democrat of Democrats, he could stand shoulder to shoulder in this campaign with any good Republican who believed in Abraham Lincoln's great principle of "government of the people, by the people and for the people," and proceeded to denounce the present administration of Indianapolis as gang rule. He had a few friends in the audience who punctuated his remarks with "That's right," and similar interjections, and once or twice he was "coached" by calls for some of the points he had emphasized in previous speeches.

During his speech Mr. Holtzman made one or two ugly insinuations, but he lacked the courage to be explicit. For instance, in referring to the issue of bonds for boulevard purposes, he said that the proceeds of the oonds, \$100,000, had been lying idle since last May. "Who has had the use of that money?" he exclaimed. "I'll tell you. The treasurer has had the use of it and the probabilities are that the interest on it has gone into hands of that kind." Then he scowled darkly and waited for the shaft to sink home. Again he said: "One of the members of the Board of Public Works has a brother-in-law who has been taking options on real estate all along the line of the proposed boulevards."

And again he paused dramatically. He repeated his attacks on Edwin D. Logsdon, of the Board of Public Works, and chairman of the Republican city committee, insinuating that the only reason Mr. Logsdon was retained as a member of the mayor's official family was because he was "useful in collecting rake-offs and percents for the Republican campaign fund." He charged that gambling is un-abated in Indianapolis and repeated his references to the Stahl case and to the existence of winerooms. At one point he declared: "We have not asked the brewerles to contribute a dollar to our campaign fund News and this slanderer, any more than and they haven't. We have not assessed the policemen or the firemen.

## MINISTERS IN POLITICS.

## Administration Condemned, but Pro-

hibition Candidate Not Indorsed At a meeting of the ministers of the city, held at the Meridian-street M. E. Church yesterday, the local campaign was discussed at some length, and in the end a resolution condemning the present city administration was adopted. A motion indorsing George Hitz, the Prohibition candidate, and condemning both Bookwalter and Holtzman, was defeated. It was apparent that a large element in the meeting desired to declare for Hitz, but their plans were frustrated. The Rev. D. R. Lucas presided and the Rev. George L. Mackintosh was secretary. The resolution adopted was as follows:

"Whereas, The ministers of Indianapolis believe that the time is ripe for the expression of the doctrine that our municpal affairs should be managed on a basis of economic business principles, and that we attribute the present deplorable corruption which characterizes our own, as well as many American cities, to the intrusion of partisan politics into civic government; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we, as ministers, declare unequivocally for the separation of party politics from civic government. In view of the present calamitous condition of local affairs from a moral point of view we urge the citizens of Indianapolis to use the privilege of franchise at the next election with the view of upholding the principles of righteousness and law enforce-

## REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

## Speakers' Bureau Chairman An-

nounces Week's Programme. Frederick C. Matson, chairman of the Republican Speakers' Bureau, has announced the following meetings for this week:

To-night-First ward, Roosevelt avenue and Seventeenth street. Speakers, Secretary of State Daniel E. Storms, Mayor Bookwalter and the other candidates.

Wednesday night-Senate and Kentucky avenues. Speakers, N. W. Harding and the Thursday night-Jewish mass meeting in

Parnell Hall. Speakers, Judge Stubbs and the city candidates. Senate avenue and Sixteenth street. Speakers, R. A. Brown and city candidates. Addison C. Harris will Friday night-Jones's Tabernacle, North and Blackford streets. Speakers, Gurley Brewer and city candidates. Saturday night-Tomlinson Hall. ers, Senator Beveridge and Mayor Book-

## DON'T CARE FOR KEACH.

#### Make It Hot for Him. The meeting of anti-Keach Democrats will

A Number of Democrats Propose to

be held Friday evening in the Masonie Hall. The Democratic organ attempts to belittle the things the present administration has the movement by stating that "a few so- bone."

done and some of the things it has not called anti-Keach Democrats have rented done. He said: the city by the Taggart administration; The men who are arranging the affair rewe have made no temporary loans and are | sent the attitude of the Sentinel and they not making any temporary loans now. We promise to make the meeting one that will

Will Keach Issue Arms? The following suggestive paragraph ap-

"Daniel Burton, a prominent and wealthy property owner, said to-day: The only hope that the Republicans have of winning is their ability to count out the Democratic candidates. Democrats and good citizens generally must see to it that there is a fair and honest count. My advice to Democrats is to shoot any man who is caught trying to do suspicious work, and I pledge myself to contribute \$1,000 toward defending any man who shoots another for tampering with ballot boxes. I lieve it is a sacred duty of Democrats to see that this election is fairly conducted.' Republicans were asking themselves and each other last night if it is to be expected that Democratic City Chairman James L. Keach will issue instructions to his cohorts to arm themselves with light and heavy

T. Taggart and Peg Hamilton. Just to show that his heart was in the right place, Peg Hamilton, a well-known levee hack driver, after a political argument with Tom Taggart, the ex-mayor of that Bookwalter would be elected, and Taggart took the bet. The money was posted with Mike Toomey. Later Peg offered his money if he took that last bet.'

#### First Noon Meeting.

Mayor Bookwalter held his first noon meeting of the campaign yesterday at the establishment of E. C. Atkins & Co., on Eddy street, near South. He was greeted by a large crowd, numbering over 250 of the employes of the factory, and his speech aroused great enthusiasm. He paid especial attention to the Indianapolis News and the

#### Holtzman's Official Record.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: At the instance of the committee which nvestigated, on behalf of the Republican central committee, the official record of John W. Holtzman, I will reply briefly to Mr. Holtzman's communication in the Journal of this morning. Mr. Holtzman says:

"I am quite willing to discuss any case to which they refer, if they will meet me on a fair basis, but I cannot fairly be asked to go into detailed statements as to every case they choose to point out from over 8,000 that I disposed of in four years, when it is apparent, on the face of their charge, that there is no cause for criticism as to part of the cases they specify, and that they have personal knowledge that there is

no cause for criticism.' The committee has pointed out several cases in its report which Mr. Holtzman is at liberty to discuss. The details of these specific cases are given in the report. Mr. Holtzman has made no attempt to explain the specific cases we have already cited. In his speech of Saturday night, and in his letter to the Journal, he does not refer to a single one of these specifically mentioned cases. A very few, out of the total number of 403, had been selected by the committee as examples. Mr. Holtzman has no reason to allege that specific cases have not been mentioned. If he wants to explain anything away, let him take up the Archie Greathouse case, the McCann cases, the Wagner and O'Brien cases, the "Goose" Eden and Sim Coy cases, etc., which are set forth at length in the report of the

Mr. Holtzman refers to two certain cases, in the total list of 403, by saying, "It is apparent that there is no occasion for criticism as to part of the cases they specify." As to 4,400 squabs for market. these two particular cases, Mr. Holtzman is referred to the report of the committee. which says: "We have no desire to accuse the prosecuting attorney of dereliction in this particular matter. Mr. Holtzman is guilty of misrepresentation when he ignores this statement in the

report, and attempts to make these two cases a text to cover the other hundreds Mr. Holtzman may remember that many real-estate dealers were indicted on charges of renting property for immoral purposes. If may be reminded of the fact that in this wholesale list of indictments there were two against Mr. Charles E. Coffin, out of some one thousand rentals, and that it was clearly shown that if any one was responsible for these two improper rentals, out of 1,000 it was the head of Mr. Coffin's real-estate department, and that Mr. Coffin had absolutely nothing to do with the matter. It may be of additional interest to Mr Holtzman to know that the man who was at the head of Mr. Coffin's real-estate department was not a Republican, but is one of Mr. Holtzman's present supporters

Mr. Holtzman's present supporters. These are the two cases on which Mr. Holtzman strives to lay so much stress. The fact that the committee included, in this report, perhaps unnecessarily, the two cases mentioned, in which it saw fit to acquit Mr. Holtzman of blame, clearly shows the de-In conclusion he read the last part of the sire of the committee to be perfectly just The peas should be cut for hay when the poorly-governed city, except the quarrel same old speech which he read as a key- to Mr. Holtzman, and to present the facts first pods begin to ripen, or when the lower

## Indianapolis, Ind., Sep. 28.

Democracy and Reform. To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal:

most "promising" candidate we have ever had. But he goes further, and "pledges" into medium cocks the next forenoon. The himself to do a great many things, as if third day they can be hauled to barn or pledge from a Democratic politician is any better than a promise, and especially cocks will often be found to contain more from a candidate with a record. Will he moisture than is desirable to have to go be any better, or do any better than when to the mow, and to obviate which, I have he held an office in this city which afforded is at the barn unloading, to upset enough him every opportunity to display his goodness? He is going to reform things? Did toms to the sun and air. a Democratic mayor ever reform anything, either here or elsewhere? Even the suggestion is enough to make a horse laugh. And yet there are a few voters calling themselves Republicans who affect to believe that this prolific promiser would make a perfect paradise of Indianapolis. If so, it would only be a Democratic paradise and every one knows what that means. Does water rise higher than its source? Did Tweed or Taggart ever reform anything, either financial or otherwise? Is Holtzman any better than Taggart? Why, Tom could outpromise him and give him "two in the put in the mow a layer of hay, then a laygame." Let our Republican friends who think to reform the city by electing Mr. Holtzman consider what Democratic promises have amounted to in the past. To those self-styled Republicans who simply want to "get even" I have nothing to say. Argument amounts to nothing to one whose head is "out of fix." JOHN B. GLOVER.

## Indianapolis, Sept. 28.

#### Neighborhood Troubles. New York Tribune.

In front of one of the full to overflowing East Side tenement houses two women were noticed poking about in one of the heaped garbage cans. "There be more'n half a sardine (accent strongly on the first syllable) in the box," said one of them, who held a crying baby balanced on her shoul-der. "No wonder her man's hard up!" "Here's some spoonfuls of tomato in the can there too!" chimed in her companion, holding by the hand a tangle-haired child whose nose just about reached the leve of the savory mass of rubbish, "Oh, it's easy to see this comes from that Mulligan woman's. Sadle Poltowka she told my Hannah as they've no can opener machine and do open cans with knives. And she complaining that they're too poor, too! And letting her Michael there take a bite of the cake I gave to my Hannah—" Further conversation as to the shortcomings of their neighbor was suddenly cut of ground. The spaces unoccupied by good short by the appearance of the quondam grasses is wasted, and it would be equally short by the appearance of the quondam owner of the discarded tins in question at reasonable for a farmer to let his cows one of the upper windows. A splash of remain with half the milk in their udders water sounded on the broken pavement. as to permit his fields, that have been duly source of the interruption, "and go home to yer own garbage if yer be that stuck on the mess. If I choose ter throw me man's money in the barrel, what's that to you, yer do nuthin's? Get along wid ye and stop yer talkin' in front o' me steps," and another mug of water emphasized the with some valuable production. A farmer wishes of the speaker. wishes of the speaker.

## FARM AND GARDEN INTERESTS

#### About Squab Raising.

Springfield Republican. in a recent bulletin of the Department of the crop and also appropriate all the mois-Agriculture, written by William E. Rice, a practical New Jersey poultry breeder, who has had twenty-five years' experience with | Land cannot grow two crops at the same poultry and ten years' with pigeons. He says: "There is money in this industry if make this offer in good faith because I be- intelligently managed, but the breeder must know how to begin and how to proceed after a beginning has been made. I have found some very rough places along the road to success." That there is money in squab raising is shown by the fact that at artillery before proceeding to the polls on one time Mr. Rice disposed of his flock and buildings; five years ago he started again with a single pair of birds, buying a few from time to time until a small but wellselected flock was obtained. This flock has paid all expenses of every kind, the bills for erecting two new houses at a cost of \$250 each, and the wages of a man two days Indianapolis, offered to bet him \$30 to \$10 in each week to dress squabs and clean out the houses. To-day he has a flock of 600 pairs of good birds in healthy condition and yielding a fair weekly income. The most important thing in starting to bet Taggart \$5 to \$2.50 that he (Taggart) | right is the site, which must be in a spot yould vote for Bookwalter on election day. | well drained, facing east or south, shel-

Taggart squirmed a little, it is said, and of- tered from prevailing winds and not exfered Hamilton a cigar, but refused to bet. Guess I know that guy," said Peg, as he took a fresh chew of tobacco. "He'd lost for drinking and bathing is desirable. The house is as important as the site, It should be built in sections for no more than 250 pairs, and not more than fifty pairs in each section, and designed so as to be well ventilated, easily kept clean. secure from attacks of mice, rats and other animals, and not subject to drafts of air. Mr. Rice's houses are forty feet long twelve feet wide, nine feet to peak of roof. Nest boxes are made twelve inches wide, nine inches high and twelve inches long. A covered yard or fly thirty-two feet long and eight feet high is attached to the

The Homer is recommended as the best variety of pigeons to kep for squab rais- Auburn (Ind.) Dispatch. ing. These birds are large and healthy; workers; are the best of feeders; are of quiet disposition when properly mat- | Loon lake, Noble county, planted part of ed; and their eggs are generally fertile. The | their land in onions. The crop has been Runt, which is the giant among piegons, is high spoken of by some breeders because the squabs are so large, but they are not prolific, and it takes an extra good pair the most profitable crop they ever raised. to yield four pair of squabs a year. Dra- L. F. Wolf raised 2,600 bushels from three goons probably rank next to Homers, and are particularly useful in crossing with Homers. Straight Dragoons are about a \$1,000. His whole expense from buying and week longer in maturing. The Duchess | sowing seed to hauling to town amounted to variety is preferred by some breeders, but they are not as good feeders as Homers and have feathered legs, which is objectionable

A variety of feed is needed, for wheat and cracked corn if long continued will fail to produce the best squabs. In addition these, Canada peas, millet, kafir corn and hemp are needed. Boxs should be provided of the salt, cracked oyster shells and ground charcoal, to which the pigeons twice a day, morning and afternoon, at the farmers will receive from their onion regular hours, and it is important that one | crop about \$60,000. person always do the feeding alone. Pure water should also be provided at all times. As the old pigeons feed the squabs on a special feed called pigeon milk, which they secrete, it is unnecessary to feed the young before they leave the nest. When feed is at prevailing prices, it costs from 50 to 60 cents a year to feed each full-grown pigeon. The houses should be whitewashed at least once a year and cleaned once a week. The flies should be also cleaned four to six times a year. Squabs are killed by bleeding in the mouth and are hung up by the feet to allow bleeding out. They are feet to allow bleeding out. picked dry, then put into a tub of cold water, to take out the animal heat and make the birds more firm and plump. expert picker can kill and rough pick twenty squabs an hour, or completely dress twelve to fifteen. The feet and mouth must be cleaned of all filth and blood. After drying they are packed in a basket or box with ice and sent to market. In one year Mr. Rice produced from 425 pairs of birds

## Cow Peas as Hay.

Correspondence Country Gentleman. My experience in making the peas into hay has not been extensive, as I have usually cut the peas into the silo with corn, but I have made enough of the hay to know that, while it requires more care and labor than making timothy hay, it is not at all the almost impossible matter many writers represent it.

Seed may be sown either broadcast at the rate of about a bushel per acre, or in drills from twenty to thirty inches apart, with about three pecks of seed per acre. The latter method of planting presents the advantage of allowing of the cultivation of the young plants. When sown in rows they are more easily harvested than when broadcast, especially if the varieties of extensive vining habits are used.

I may say in passing, as a word of caution to any enthusiastic beginner in the business of making cow pea hay, that the cultivation of a patient and lowly spirit is quite as desirable as the cultivation of the crop, and that if he contemplates turning over a new leaf in the matter of the use of strong language, it might be well to defer the turning till after the hay is

leaves are falling. It is desirable in the cutting and curing both to save as many of the leaves as possible. My method of cutting has been with a mowing machine after dew is off. As soon as the cut vines are well wilted, but before the leaves get too Our Democratic candidate for mayor is prolific of promises. Altogether he is the heavy, a second teddering a couple of hours later is advisable. Before evening the vines are raked into windrows and made stack, but must be absolutely free from found it an excellent plan, while a wagon

This degree of curing, if care is taken to have an entire absence of extraneous moisture, will make good hay if put into the barn without too much tramping or allowing large piles to accumulate where the hay drops from the hay fork. True, the hay heat and get pretty warm, but the proper thing at this time is to close up the barn and keep away from the hay till it cools off. An excellent way to increase the bulk of hay and to insure the better keeping of the cow pea hay-if there is any fear er of cut corn stover (if any has been left from the last year) or a layer of clean wheat straw or early-cut rye hay or straw, alternating the straw and peas. The straw when feeding out will be found to have partaken of the flavor of the peas and will be readily eaten. In feeding cow pea hay it is almost a necessity to use a hay knife to cut the block down in sections. Where this is done the straw is mixed with the hay and should be fed so.

A Southern method of curing cow peas is to do it on poles, racks and the like, but the work involved in such a method would prohibit the making of this valuable hay in the North. Indeed, I would advise any one not familiar with the habits of the crop to enter on the growing of it experimentally, for very often an extra big dose at the

#### it rationally. Sowing Grass Seed.

tart creates a lasting distaste for a very

valuable crop that is capable of doing great

good to the Northern farmer who will use

Philadelphia Record. The importance of sowing grass seeds evenly and sufficiently thick to occupy of weeds, cannot be too forcibly impressed upon farmers. In many cases there are not half the plants of the artificial grasses that could profitably stand on the allotted space "Take that for yer nosiness!" said the and properly prepared for the reception of wishes of the speaker.

Such are the sources of gossip in slum- having his fields evenly set with grass roots dom, and such the summary manner of first passes over the ground, strewing about putting an end to unsolicited personal criticism. where life is lived "close to the then he crosses the other way and scatters the seed. In this way he is less likely to He-He's broke so often

leave vacant spaces for the growth of weeds. This plan of sowing takes double the time for doing the work, but it is done better, and amply compensates for the time bestowed. Every farmer should make strenuous efforts to make two heads of grass to grow where one grew before, and then his animals will not be so liable to be stinted with short allowance in winter. Weeds get the mastery at the start because they are always adapted to the soil in which they grow. In making rapid growth a weed sends its roots out in every direction, seizing all the supplies in the soil, and starving other plants. If not soon removed large weeds shade the plants of stroyed when very young then the crop takes possession, rendering it more difficult for the next lot of weeds to thrive. time, and as long as the weeds have a place they take as much plant food from the soil as is removed by crops.

#### Maine's Rich Potato Farmers.

George H. Collins, in National Magazine. The regulation farm lot here, as elsewhere in Maine, is 160 acres, but the ease with which large areas of this smooth land can be cultivated by means of modern, improved machinery, tends to a habit of expansion. Within reasonable limits, the bigger the farm the more economically and profitably it can be operated. Hence we find in Presque isle the average acreage approximating 200, and a large percentage of farms ranging from this figure to 400 and even 500 acres. Potatoes, Aroostook's staple, are found here in fields ranging from twenty to 100 acres, often yielding over 100 barrels to the acre; and since he has caught on to the knack of rotating clover with potatoes, the Presque isle farmer is able to alternate great fields between hay and potatoes, so as to raise and sell an immense volume of both staples, and at the same time actually to increase the strength and fertility of his farm. For the past three years it is a very unpretentious Presque sle farm that has not yielded profits totaling \$3,000, while many have run as high as \$10,000 and \$12,000. Making all due allowance for operating expenses, there is a margin left that has made these farms a veritable gold mine; and it is no wonder that, after providing himself and family with ample comforts, and such luxuries as are indicated by pianos, elegant furniture, rubber-tired carriages, fine driving horses, etc., these farmers still have good, fat bank accounts to their credit.

### Profit in Onions.

Last spring several farmers living near harvested and was shipped last week. The farmers say that the onions proved to be and one-half acres. He sold the crop for \$250, leaving him a net profit of \$750 from the three and one-half acres. I. E. Noble raised 1,500 bushels from two and threequarters acres and realized a net profit of "That is as much as I cleared on my 109-acre farm," said Mr. Noble. Several other farmers have similar stories of profit to tell. R. B. Hineman, an Ohio onion buyer, says the crop in Noble county

### Shade-Grown Truck.

this year will amount to 300 carloads, or

150,000 bushels. The average price received will be near 40 cents per bushel, so that

Indiana Farmer. Prof. Craig, of the horticultural department of Cornell University, taking the hint from experiments in growing tobacco under cover, has been trying the plan with vegetables, beginning last year and continuing more intelligently this season. A rectangular tent, 190 feet by twenty, was constructed of "aerial" cloth-like mosquito netting, only coarser and heavier-and under it was sown lettuce, cabbage, cauliflower and celery. Similar sowings were made in open ground for comparison. Outside, only 2 per cent. of the lettuce headed; inside, 90 per centais salable, and the heads are larger, sweeter and more tender. The same is true generally of the rest of the vegetables, and the average improvement is at least 75 per cent. The tent subdues the glare of the sun, checks heavy rains, but allows enough moisture to filter through to keep the ground moist and fertile, shuts out insects and lessens the labor of cultiva-

## Bacon Hogs.

Winchester (Ind.) Herald. Prime bacon hogs can be grown as well or better in this country than anywhere in the world, and if there is a demand for leaner bacon hogs they will be forthcoming. It need not be expected, however, that feeders will take the pains the Danish. English or Canadian feeders do fussing with ground stuffs of different sort without getting equal compensation. The pea, rye, barley and shorts fed hogs are calculated to be worth close to 2 cents per pound more on the hoof than corn-fed bacon hogs. and if that is true packers will have to make up their minds to give at least \$1 per 100 premium on that class of stock to get it. Peas, barley, rye and mixed grains are as easily raised in this country as corn, but corn feeding is the simplest and easiest method of hog feeding, and, therefore, much cheaper here than any other kind.

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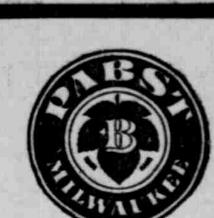
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"To mechanics in our business it is laughable to read that a full kit of burglar's tools have been found beside a safe. As I have said it would require an express wagon to carry them, and burglars don't work that way. If they care to take chances by blowing up a safe with dynamite it is another matter, but these fellows nearly always get

"A police officer told me that burglars make their own tools. The big crooks are all spotted and are afraid to go out and buy the material for them. Some of them send their wives and children. As a general thing don't work in New York. A man maklikely to attract attention. They get a house somewhere in the suburbs. Philadelphia. where they can get a brick house for about \$20 a month, is a great place for them."



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